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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Shawn Smith, et al.) Group Art Unit: 2785
Application No.: 09/192,164) Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: November 13, 1998)
For: IC TEST SOFTWARE SYSTEM)
FOR MAPPING LOGICAL)
FUNCTIONAL TEST DATA OF)
LOGIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS)
TO PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 2, line 24, please delete "the present assignee,".

Page 4, line 27, please replace "Focussed" with --Focused--.

Page 5, lines 2 and 3, please delete "the assignee".

Page 7, delete last sentence, "In some cases it may be necessary to modify the circuit simulation in order to obtain a suitable balance between the number of suspected fail vectors and the time required for circuit analysis."